

meeting at 14th Jefferson
from 9 to 12 this AM. Resolutions
offered by Eugen Brandall
of CON. W. A. R. and carried
to the effect that a Com.
consisting of 2 Eugen 2 Henry
and 12 Hutchinsonan Eugen on
Com Brandall & Hydenberg
Herman Taylor & R. Gear
Switch Hutchinson and one more
that they call on Mayor
Roach this PM and protest
against Burlington Men
carrying arms and request
that He have all permits
cancelled and not allow
any arms be carried by
Burlington Men all A. R.
except S. S. & M. S. & Nickl. Plate

were represented at this
special meeting and if
Mayor Roach refuses to
comply with this request
then they are to make an
application for permits
for their safety. The Committee
were instructed to call on
RR not represented at this
meeting and have them
send representative to a
special meeting to be held
at 14th and Jefferson at 2 PM
Sharp Sunday

Deegan was in saloon
at North West corner of 14th
and Jefferson at 12:15 PM with
his Brother in Law B. Fleming
test correctness of Shadow's
report

am at ^{Morinos office} ~~Palmer~~ ~~house~~ let
boy answer to me

am investigating last
night's interference

Meeting adjourned from
yesterday reconvened this
2nd PM special committee
mentioned in last report
reported that they had
called on Mayor Roach
who stated that six (6)
persons only had permits
to carry arms for protection
of Burlington property
in city limits that
he had not and would
not issue further permits
to employees on Burlington
or other lines, that on
Monday he would take
such action as was

necessary to prevent the
carrying of all arms by
unauthorised persons
some of the men ^{Switzerland}
at to days meeting have
little confidence in
the promises made
by his Honor and
- therefore the Committee who
are instructed to call
again on the Mayor
with the view to have
them accompany an
officer named by his
Honor to seize all arms
found in possession of
persons referred to. This
movement while on its
face seems of little im-
portance is instigated as
a last resort to cause
trouble to Burlington County
by endeavouring to have

as if to punish returning
ticket unpurchased to passen-
gers the amount handed
to Conductor being less
a good discount from
regular fare this of
course is amongst drivers
commercial Traveler and
other posted men.

All the
grievance committee of
the Burlington System
have been called here
to Chicago to meet on
Wed '16th Hoge left for
Cleveland 8:10 PM Sat Eve

In a matter of arrest
of Employers on Exeter Eng
near 57th street this Sunday
noon the third employees
and the one who was
not arrested and who
it was claimed that
he quit to day at the
solicitation of Employers
of foreign RR who
engaged & got him
a job they knowing
that he could give
testimony positive in
nature against the
one who threw the
stone or coal against
English caused to days
disturbance,

✓
Degan this "3" PM was
on Jefferson St near 14th
in company with several Ex
Engineers of the "Q".

It was finally arranged
to meet on Wed AM 10:11
they not being able to
secure hall for PM of
that day it having been
previously engaged. Will
cause this matter to be
watched closely and advise
you without delay or
progress.

John D. Clark an
Ex Burlington Engr on
Inter State Commerce Investigation
committee has travelled over
the System in search of
evidence between Chicago
and Denver and all

branches Except St. S. Road
N. H. or St Louis Branch and
depend upon Kesperia
cattle Co & give important
evidence among many
others

In conversation
between Clark. Hurley.
and others the manner
in which conductors
were making use
of present excitement
in making financial
gains was alluded to
describing ^{the manner} in which
cash fares were paid
to Conductors by passengers
holding a certain amount
of cash concealed in
hand and a Ticket Con-
ductor would receive
cash and at same
moment taking Ticket

Switchman renew there
former stand of not
handling Burlington
car's using the plea
with there RR on which
they are employed that
they would not trust
themselves among those
carrying arms on Burlington
system unless they be armed
themselves Understand that
the men attending and
acting at this meeting
with the exception of Burling-
ton men are at work
representing all Roads
including North Chicago

Revolution Mills and Union
Iron and Steel Works and
U. S. Yards Transportation Co
The first meeting of this
movement was on Thurs
day Eve and while I had
not prepared to have
said meeting attended
I am able to allude by
inquiring the following
facts, that Drury and
Morrigan who are Grand
Officers of Switchmen Assn
finding that the Engin
movement is some what
uncertain are creating
further bitter feeling
amongst their association
claiming that the Engins
are too conservative and
that their association
must act of its own
accord

New York, May 2nd, 1833.

Sir:-

Our operatives Nos. 1 and 2 further report as follows:

Tuesday May 1st, 1833.

Operative No. 1 reports: "To-day I arranged to be absent for two or three days, and then put my thinking cap on as to what direction to look for an opening to the trail I wanted to strike. The name of Nat Sawyer, Chief Engineer of Division 145, came up and I struck out for him at the H. R. R. R. round house. He is a very active worker, though very conservative; luck favored me and I found him. We are on quite intimate terms. After exchanging the time of the day he opened in this way, 'what do you think of the C. B. & Q. strike?' I told him I was sick of hearing about it. 'So am I', he replied, 'I have just written to Arthur and told him the Brotherhood is in a very critical condition just now. I have been on the executive committee myself six years and I knew just what their powers are, and they have exceeded them beyond all precedent in the assessment they have levied, and it won't be paid. The first month some will kick; second month half the order will object, and third month not ten percent will pay it, and down we go to disruption.' I said, 'Nat, if you were inside of me you could not quote me closer.' He continued, 'I told him we could figure as well as the Grand Officers, and we'd been doing it. We estimate that each of our 373 Divisions has sent out as a voluntary contribution, before any assessment was ordered, an average of \$400 a piece, or \$149,200.00; \$20,000 was in the hands of the Grand Officers to meet such cases, making a total of \$169,200, besides a sinking fund of \$70,000 in the treasury, which should have been used before an assessment should have been levied, a grand total of \$239,000, and the

men are asking what has become of this money (I think \$200 for each Division would be nearer correct). It will be a repetition of the strikes in 1877, half our members dropped out rather than pay the assessments ordered, and they were legal, while these are not. Why to pay the strikers until they got tired of the strike would simply keep it up on one side during eternity." "What did Pete answer you?" I asked. "Oh I've not had time to get an answer yet." "I don't believe he will answer." "Oh, yes he will." "Well, I'd like to see how he can answer it satisfactorily. I'd like to see how he will get around it." "Well, he'll answer, and you shall see it." I said, "Nat, there is deception somewhere. We are hearing from there how solid the boys are, sure to win. C. B. & Q. ruined past redemption etc. now, I want to show you a letter." I handed him the Hays letter. He read it over and exclaimed, "well, I'll be d- if he don't own up licked. Now, I'll show you a letter. I said, "Oh, I don't want to see it. I see them every day and I'm sick of them. He said, "well, I want you to see this one," and he handed me an envelope post marked Aurora, Ill., April 25th, 1883. I opened it and found a letter covering half a sheet of foolscap. It bore the seal of Aurora Division No. 32, and was signed John A. Bauerreisen C.E. It was an appeal for financial aid, an exhortation to be firm and stand by us in this, the greatest, strike the world ever saw: a strike which when won would sink the Q system out of sight, and would place us in a position in the future to never listen to arbitration even. That the C. B. & Q's ~~system~~ new men were all drunkards and incompetent; had ruined nearly all the engines and cars on the system; that the Company had offered some of the old men immense sums of money to come back and take their engines, and that the system was doing no business, no

passenger travel at all, etc. That we only had to hold out until the election on May 15th and President Perkins, Board of Directors, and Gen'l Mgr. Stone would be all kicked out and new officials put in power who would at once discharge all the new men and restore the old ones to their places etc. I cannot recollect all of the letter as I only glanced over it, not wishing to evince too much interest. I think I have given the sense of it. I handed it to Nat with the remark, "what do you think of it?" He replied, "what do I think of it? Why s--t they are a pack of G- d- fools. They run around among them Chicago R.R. officials and they give them a lot of guff and the d- fools believe it. Why did you ever know or hear of a case where the officials of a railroad or shop were not sustained in their method of dealing with a strike? If you did you have heard more than me. Why I told them fellows there wasn't a Railroad Company in Chicago that was not saying to the Q 'stand out, if you lose we are all gone.' If the men win this strike next year they will go for all of us and keep on demanding until we might as well shut up shop, for they would run us to h- You have the best of your men now and don't weaken. That's what they are saying to the Q and I know it." I said to Nat, "Isn't it surprising to you what nonsensical rumors the men get up" Why I heard to-day that Hoge had sent out a letter or was getting one up to send out, asking the Divisions to select trustworthy men and send them out to the Q to take engines and then when all was running smoothly to sow discord amongst the new men and all strike again at once. Did you hear of that?" "No, I did not get any such letter, nor hear of it; but there might be such a letter in the box. I have not been there for two or three days and I am going out to-morrow early, but will be in in time for next Sunday

meeting, and if such a letter is there I'll get it then. But what good would that move accomplish even if it could be made? which it can't be. I tell you they had better by a d- sight throw up the sponge and own up to what we all know is a defeat. I told Arthur so and he'll find I'm right. If they don't good bye Brotherhood."

I then left Nat and went home. My convictions are that there is such no letter from Hoge in existence; that the rumor has sprung from the one I quoted from; but there may be, and it may have been sent under such pledges of secrecy that Sawyer deceived me, though I think not.

I will leave early in the morning for Reading and Philadelphia.

The Chief of my Division is a man whom I made an engineer on the P. & R. long years ago. He with the F.A.E. (see'y) are warm friends of mine. I will surely get to the bottom of the matter through them."

Operative No. 2 reports: "At 5:15 p.m. I went to 126th Street and 3rd Avenue to see J. B. Babcock, a personal friend of P. M. Arthur. I was informed at No. 224 East 126th Street that Babcock had gone to a singing party. I then went to 106th Street and 3rd Avenue, where I met Harris, Dresser and Delrymple, engineers. In conversation Dresser said, 'I could tell you a certain man off of the Brooklyn road who went to the C.B. & Q. road there and is back again. He went there for the interest of the B. of L.E. I will tell you who he is some other time. At one time I thought the boys were beat,^u but since that man came back I am satisfied Arthur and Hoge are getting the best of Stone, the C.B. & Q. Manager.'

Dresser and I then went to 87th Street and 3rd Avenue, where we met John Lasher, engineer, who belongs to Division 105. In conversa-

tion Lasher said, 'Stone, Gen'l Manager of the C. B. & Q. has offered \$1000 to several old engineers and a life job if they would go back and take their engines as non-brotherhood men, but none went back. I tell you Hoge will be our next Grand Chief, as he is managing the strike when Arthur is absent, and he is getting as many men as he can who belong to the B. of L.E. to go and work on the C. B. & Q. for a blind, but he is getting from outside of Chicago.'

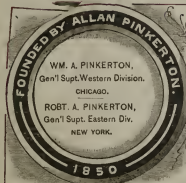
To a question I asked he said, 'I did not see any letter from Hoge, but I heard certain parties had received letters from him.'

Dresser said, 'if the B. of L.E. will protect me I will take a vacation and go and get a job on the C. B. & Q.' I said, 'so will I.'

Lasher said, 'I will go to-morrow if I am protected by Arthur.'

At 11:30 p.m. Dresser and I went to 126th Street to try and see Babcock. We waited until 1:00 a.m. and not meeting him we went to 106th Street to Arnold's saloon. Getting no information there I went home.'

Yours Respectfully



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Chicago May 3rd 1888

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Gen Manager C. B. & C. Co
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Dear Sir

Following please find extract
taken from a letter received by General
Supt. W. A. Pinkerton from Supt. Geo. D. Bangs
written under date of May 1st

Chicago. I suggested an interview with
our engineer No 1 who informed me that
he has heard of no such letter as the
one requesting a letter to be sent to J
Hawes and he does not think that such
a letter has been received and he is con-
vinced that there will be no results
obtained from it. He informs me that
there is a great amount of dissatisfaction
among the brotherhood, on account
of the assessments that are being levied
for the support of the strikers. He says
that possibly such a letter was sent
for the purpose of instilling a better
feeling among the brotherhood and
thereby getting them to respond to the
assessment levied. He further said
that he is not in favor of class standing

with the Chief Engineer of the division
here on account of his conservative views
the Chief Engineer being a radical but that
by going to Reading and seeing the Chief
Engineer of his division that he could
ascertain beyond a doubt whether such
a letter had been received. I instructed
him to look up the matter here today
but should be most be able to determine
anything, to go to Reading tomorrow
and have obtained him a leave of absence
for that purpose.

I am also trying to get hold of
our other ex-engineer and employer but as
yet have not succeeded. If I can
find him so as to have an interview
with him down town during the day
I have no doubt that I will be able
to have him at my house tonight.

The explanation of the dis-
satisfaction of the brotherhood men on
account of the assessments engineer No. 1
gave me the following information:
That there were about seven hundred
brotherhood locomotive engineers who
went on the strike, and about three
hundred non-union brotherhood
locomotive engineers, that he understood
that the non-union strikers had been
promised sixty dollars per month while
unemployed. The brotherhood laws
require that only brotherhood men

be paid forty dollars for three months
while out of employment on account
of a strike. To suppose that for three
months would make eighty four thousand
dollars (\$84,000⁰⁰) all that the brotherhood
can be regularly assessed. Of this
amount sixty five or seventy thousand dol.
(\$65,000 or \$70,000) has already been sent
voluntarily by the different divisions.
Now the executive committee have levied
an assessment of five dollars (\$5⁰⁰) per
man. There are about twenty thousand
members in good standing which would
make an amount of One hundred thousand
dollars (\$100,000) if all paid their assessment.
The brotherhood were are beginning to
wonder what this large amount of money
is wanted for and a good many are
refusing to pay the assessment. Three
members were dismissed last Saturday
night for refusing to pay and it is
expected that a good many more will
be dismissed.

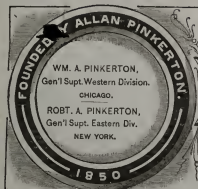
Since commencing this letter
I have seen messenger No. 3. He has not
heard of any such letter but ^{im} thinks
today he was spoken to by one
of the brotherhood men who said that
the ⁺Perkins was wanted five hundred mes-
sengers and he asked him how he knew
and was told that he had heard so.
Messenger No. 4 says that he did not pay

much attention to the, remark that thinks
that possibly this may have come from
such a letter as you describe

I did not give No 2 the full
information of your telegram, merely told
him that I had been advised that a
secret letter had been sent by Hingsto
the different divisions to the effect
that the Burlington were in want of
three or four hundred engineers and had
called on the divisions throughout
the country to furnish them for the
purpose of inducing the new bonds
to go out on a strike

I requested him to find out
if such a letter had been received
and to get a copy of it if possible.
I had to get the main purport of it
As I have said before I have not
the fullest confidence in engineer No 2
and I kept back some things so as to be
able to determine how much reliability to place
in his statements. I have today replied you
in regard to this matter

Respectfully submitted
Lindstrom Nat L at (N.Y.)
by Wm A Lindstrom
Gen Suph Wash Div



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Chicago May 8th 1888

H. D. Blum Esq,
Gen Manager B & O Ry
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Sir

Following please find report
of John E. H.

Monday May 7-88

John says he was up at 7³⁰ am and
had breakfast and returned to his room
and was there while it was being
made up but not by the regular
cleaner named but an old woman who
John had seen in the hall sweeping
saw the young girl who works on
the other side where he first was
and spoke to her but there were too
many in the hall watching to allow
John to stop and speak. Hager had a
number of men in his room all the
evening, he was in and out a great
deal. One man in entering the room
asked Hager whether he wanted to see
him and Hager answered by saying
that if he had any money for him
he would like to see him, otherwise
he did not as it was money they

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wanted to see just how ~~they~~ ^{they} read
something that asked him to pay some-
body more than they had been getting,
and after reading it he laughed and
said they had no money to pay any-
thing let alone ~~the~~ ^{the} ~~money~~ ^{money} ~~to~~ ^{to} pay

Amongst those in the
room was a man formerly from
the Brooklyn Elevated Ry and who
went out at the time of the strike of
the engineers on that road and from
there went to the Reading Road and is
now just from the far West on
California. He said that the men
out his way would not raise a hand
to help them now. One of the other men
spoke up and said that that was all
caused by, or through the bad manage-
ment of the strike from the day that
it first commenced to the present time
and that Tolson was to blame for
the whole of it, that he was too far
behind the times, that the brotherhood
wanted men at the head of it who were
not afraid to go to jail for a few
days and that the Lands, Hooker, Mick, Out.
& other lines should have been boycotted
the moment it was found that men
were coming from the East to work
on the C & D Ry.

The Western man said
he did not believe in fighting corporations

with P. S. glasses but its ga into it
in slush sleeves and do anything
no matter what it was as every-
thing counted in time of war, but now
it was too late and they would have
lost what they could get, a couple
of the other men spoke up and
said that they were in favor of hold-
ing on until the new board of directors
was elected which would be 16th inst

Some of the men had been
asking this western man who they
should apply to for work on the Southern
Pacific Ry and also some other men
near and that way. This man told
the others about some Englishman
named Caff or Cough who was being
transported about the country at the expense
of the brotherhood and who claimed to be
one of two hundred and forty six men
engaged in England last January by
an agent of the O.P. Ry to work on
a new line that they were building
and that they were to receive five dollars
per day and expenses and that at the
expiration of twenty days, they were each
to receive one thousand dollars and
at the end of a year one thousand
dollars more and that they all went
before a magistrate and signed the
contracts, and on their arriving here
found that they were to take the place

of the strikers, and that he with two others refused to go to work. This man had told his story to Ashmun who will taking action against the RyCh for obstructing foreign labor. None of the other men had even heard of the case before and declared that he was a fraud, and this Western man said they were trying to put him on an engine and there he would go and telegraph them to stop him, which he did later on. They were all very much worked up over the thing that they had been deceived and one of them said that they were being played for suckers enough. Another man named O. H. Bacon in this city was also pronounced a fraud.

There was to be a meeting somewhere this afternoon and the men left to attend it.

Hoyr was out a good deal and while in the room would leave little things.

At 1 P.M. Oph reported to Ashmun & Oph returned to his room. Everything was quiet all afternoon. Hoyr was away all the time but another man was there all day. He appeared to be busy with papers from about 8 A.M. till dark. Oph could hear him handling it. A number of men came in to see Hoyr to get the

for several months, except work. He
did return to his room about
1 PM when he had a couple of callers.
But after could not pick up anything
relating to H. H. business. He remained
in his room about a few minutes and
then went out.

Respectfully Yours
Perceives Wm. S. H. H. H.
Wm. H. H. H.
Gen. Capt. West H. H.

P. N. D. A.
MAY 11 1888
CHICAGO, ILL.
E. B. M.

W. H.

Chgo May 9th 88
Reported at 8 o'clock-

Went in forenoon to Noonan Bros in hopes of seeing Kelly & possibly learn something in regard to the Edwards Case. But unfortunately I did not see Kelly today. I stayed at Noonan Bros until noon & went to dinner. After noon I went to meeting & there found Mr. Smurray the Boss of the Switchmen. He made a very long speech in which he said this strike had never been carried on right & from the very start everything had gone wrong. That as far as the Switchmen were concerned he was willing to take this thing in his own hands & make the fight. If the Engineers did not have sand enough to stand by them they (the Switchmen) will fight it out alone. His plan is as follows

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The C.R. & O. men are all allowed to Carry Arms. & they take every advantage of them by offering to fight. Every one who comes in the O. Yards with a Transfer train. & instead of the Switchmen insulting and abusing the Scab things are right to the Contrary & the men are in danger of their lives every time they deliver a train to the C.R. & O. Yards. These men all have permits to Carry the Revolvers. His plan is to ask all roads who exchange Trains with the C.R. & O. to arrange with the City for permits for the men to ^{Carry} Revolvers for protection & any road who refuses to do this He will ask them to have the arms taken from the C.R. & O. men any thing to make thing equal if this is not done He proposed to have every Switchman Strike

3rd May

on each & every road that-
refuses to do so & if all refuse
all strike. & this He wants
to do at once. He has no
notion that they should wait for
the Directors to come & go away
with the impression that every-
thing is quiet here & will soon
be all right. But think they
should find things Red & Hot-
here when they come & think
a good lively time the 15th (the
day of their arrival) would have
a tendency to set them to thinking
a good harder than it would to
find every one dead as the
appearance now indicates

There will be in addition
to the regular meeting tomorrow
an Extra one in the forenoon
also a General meeting tomorrow
night - at 7 o'clock at 12th
St. James Hall - where there
will in all probability be some
definite plan decided on

4th.

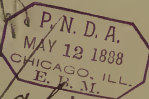
After meeting Every one nearly
went to Noonan Bros & as we
well leave with Durveys place
all are well but now I doubt
know how they will feel in
the morning - although I have
not seen or heard from any
switchmen who are working
they may not feel as good
toward this move as the men
who are out on the strike
I very much doubt if they will
be as willing to go out, but
still I believe they would go
out - If they were told to do so
I will try & attend the meeting
at 12th St Turner Hall tomorrow
night -

W.F.S.

P.S.

I left Noonan Bros at 10⁴⁰
W.F.S.

Noted
M.H.



Chicago May 10-88

Reported at 8 o'clock

In the forenoon went to meeting which called about 1030 & lasted about 20 minutes. There being only about 18 men there. I then went to noonan Bow & found the regular number in attendance there. I stayed there a few minutes & went to dinner.

Afternoon I went to meeting, this was a big one. Morgan was there & addressed the meeting telling them that it was all wrong for them to (the Switchmen) to go to Saloons & spend their money foolishly & then go out & kick because they were only getting \$4000 per Month. He gave them a good lecture on this & then went on to say that he & Just returned from an Atlantic trip over the B. System & found things in a very demoralizing condition, at least they are

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doing 25 percent- of their old business at Platenonets Pacific West- & ~~at~~ ~~on~~ ~~the~~ same at Burlington about- 35- at- Creston 40 Galatong 30 Aurora 35- & Chicago Every one here knows just- what- they are doing. He told them that- the Company was doing Every thing in their Power to down them Said they were playing all kinds of schemes on the Seafarers to induce them to work (Not- in Chicago but- at- every other point) for instance at- Quincy ~~the~~ ^{Seafarers} was promised at- the beginning of this strike that- they would have a raise of salary of 30 cents per day if they did not- go out- the result- was they remained at- work & Now day before yesterday they were notified that- the Company could not- afford to pay this advance in salary

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& the were reduce to the old wages
He said while this strike had been
Carried on in a very pruntively
& Honorable way it - would not
win & unless some different-
ation is taken soon Every
thing will be lost -

He spoke about - an hour but - that
was the substance of his address
when he left - the Hall. Then
There seemed to be a general
impression in the meeting that
they Boycott - was to be declared
on the CRO & G once more &
consequently. a general discussion
followed. All that expressed
themselves (but - 2) were in favor
of stopping Everything in Chicago
There was a vote taken & it
was decided that - this meeting
in a body should vote (all - them
I call brought) in favor of a Boycott
being put - on CRO & G at once
Same as the old one - viz any
one who is ask to go to CRO & G

shall refuse if they are discharged
 Every one in Chicago's ~~Strike~~
 with this understanding the Meeting
 adjourned - but before doing so
 it was to be expressly understood
 that no one would be allowed
 in the meeting to night - who were
 not working for some railroad &
 at the present time. Except a Striker
 and as I am not at present
 employed by any Company nor a
 strike this fixed me to stay out -
 but I was bound to go if possible
 so I got in with me & Brown, Keefe
 Shorley Allen Jim Lagan Harrison
 Tom Larkin & 2 or 3 more & came to
 Noonan Bros & stayed until 8 o'clock
 none of us going to supper but the
 result was well - the other started
 for Turner Hall I went with
 them they all promising me they
 would back for me, which
 they did & I went in, &
 sat around until 9¹⁵ before
 meeting was called to order

July

Meeting was called to order by Mat-
Conmore. Storboard (a Sweetnam
from No Chgo Rooling Mill Co.) was
elected by the House as Chairman.
He stated that the object of
the meeting was to ascertain
from Every Man now working
on any road in Chicago what
he thought about putting another
Boycott on a Road & ask if
any one had any thing to say that
they would all feel at Home
& say Just what they thought.
& Called on Mr. Dawney who
was in the Hall to take a seat on
the platform. Mr. Dawney arose & said
He did not wish to sit on the
platform but would like to correct
the worthy Chairman. He said
the object of the meeting were
not to deny a Boycott on the R
for He thought this would be
better ruin. He said He was
the first to start this meeting
tonight & wished to go on record

6th

that- He had no ~~idea~~ of any such thing & any one who said so every said so was very much mistaken. (But- this is his plan) To appoint a Committee of 1 Engineer 1 Foreman & 1 Switchman from every road in Chicago to wait on their respective kind ~~work~~ & request- that they ~~do~~ make an arrangement & secure permits (for all men who are sent- to work- or on any run where they come in contact- with the ~~C&N~~ Switchmen) to carry Revolver also that- said kind manager shall furnish these Revolver & Each man who gets one shall sign a Receipt- for same & be responsible for it- allowing the Company to deduct- its value from his salary in case the Revolver is not- returned. That- said Manager be given 48 hours to get- them & if the arms & Permits are not- furnished in the 48 hours. They be struck and

7.

Strike Panel He said he did not believe in killing any one but if he was approached by one of the scabs & thought there was any show for trouble he should get his work in as soon as he could & call it self protection. Says the C & B Company furnish arms for the men & put them on the work & say shoot & we will take care of you - He thinks this is a free country & all men should have an equal show. He said that (Contrary to Mr Monaghan's idea) in his opinion Mr Stone & Perkins & the immortal Paul Morton would be removed the 14th of this month (only 6 days to wait) & then all would be well. 1

Monaghan spoke nearly word for word as he did this afternoon only adding that - any one who says that Mr Stone & Perkins will be removed by the Director is very foolish & don't know what

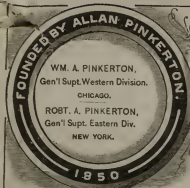
they are saying but - He was
with Drury Shear & some in whole
He proposed in regard to the
Committee waiting on the Managers
& He left the Hall

Then Murphy of Indiana & Gleason
Spoke & several others but the
sense of it all was simply
Nothing there was the worst
time then far above - an hour
that - I ever saw they were
obliged to lock the door to keep
them from going home they tried
to pass some resolutions & take some
note or come to some understanding
but it was impossible to do
any thing Meeting & Everything was
so confused that some one
said let us adjourn & meet
here again Saturday. Every one
said yes & started for the door
Chairman was Raping & Raping
& crying Order Gentlemen order

Sit-down shut-out-door
 but the only response he got
 was oh go to Hell I was
 nearly the last one out of
 the Hall & I heard him say just
 as I was crowded out—
This meeting is adjourned

Take it in all & I consider it
 the worst fizzle I ever saw in
 any undertaking I think when the
 meeting opened there was fully 500
 men there & not one went
 away from there who was fully
 disgusted & judging from the
 feeling tonight I don't consider there
 is any danger of this strike extending
 any farther than at present—although
 we can not tell what Saturday
 may show up

Meeting broke up at 12³⁰ PM
 W. J. S.



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Chicago May 10-88

H. B. Stane Esq,
Genl Manager C & P Ry Co
City

Dear Sir

Following please find reports
of Opt E. S. G.

Tuesday May 8-88

At 7³⁰ A.M. Opt was up and after
breakfast returned to his room and on
passing Fogie's room saw that the chamber-
maid was cleaning up the room and there
was a man waiting for Fogie who was
leaving breakfast.

The chambermaid after finish-
ing up his room went into Opt's room
she is a woman about 50 years of age,
she avoids going into rooms while the
occupants are in them. Opt when going
to breakfast left his key in the door so
that she would think he had not left
the room, she came in and excused
herself for not having the room done
up. She told Opt about finding a
pocket-book in the room opposite
which the man had dropped when
going out. She returned it to him.

Her name is Janey Hibbard, she said that all of the girls sleep in the house and are at liberty to go out any night after 6 PM excepting one night in six when they take the night watch. Oph asked her if she ever went to the theatre. saying that any night she wanted to go he would get her tickets as he was connected with the theatrical business. She answered that she very often received passes from actors & actresses who stopped in the house and she liked to go very much. She was then more inclined to talk and went on to tell Oph about the working of the house its help &c &c. She appears to have charge of that floor as Oph heard her making complaint about one of the girls being too familiar with some one in one of the rooms on that floor.

The girl Mary on the opposite side of the hall is the one who might be approached but she has no chance or excuse for going into Hoge's room as there are too many going through the hall all the time, and again the room is never without some one in it whether Hoge is there or not. Sunday last ^{is} the only time it has been empty since Oph has been there. Janey Hibbard Oph fears would be a dangerous person to approach for anything of this kind as she has been

in the service of the Hotel for the last 14 years and she is very particular about touching things in the room. She left things laying about to see if she would examine them or look into boxes.

Hoge had a number of men in the room all day, he being out a great deal of the time. The man who is in there so much and in charge during Hoge's absence is no doubt Murphy.

A man named Stevens from St. Louis was a caller and was introduced by Hoge.

Several newspaper reports were called for information regarding a report that some committee was to be here today, and also about some other newspaper reports. They were all told that there was no committee coming and that the reports were false. There was a great deal said about some one coming to the room and giving things away and one man said that some one had access to Hoge's letters and was giving information. Hoge said it was silly to lie that no one saw his letters only when he showed them and that he did not leave them laying about the room for the men that came there to see, but kept things locked up. Some article in the Washington Times and a New York Herald were the cause of this state

Some one asked about some fellow who
was there a good deal and who did so
much talking, he rather suspected he
was the man, some one else mentioned
another man. They were apparently much
interested in the affair.

Hager told a man who inquired
about the Inter-State Commission, that he
was endeavoring to have them here next
Saturday or Monday at the latest, and
that Sullivan had wired for that purpose.

One of the men was telling
about going to a meeting of the R R con-
ductors of the C. & D. Ry. the Sunday before
the strike to get them to work again
the strikers by piloting new men, and that
all but three voted in favor of the Engi-
neers, the other three said they would do
as they pleased, but before Tuesday
night they were all piloting new men.

They all expressed themselves as very
bitten towards the Conductors' order.

One man expressed him-
self in favor of holding out three months
as they had agreed to and then see
what would be the result of the
election of the new board of directors
of the C. & D. Ry. When asked which
men were much opposed to paying
any assessments for the R. men, he
said "the men on the Pacific coast,
the North-west and down about Texas

have been protested against paying
any assessments, and the men right
here in Oregon were kicking against it
as much as any one

Some one mentioned the name of Ryan as a man the Brotherhood had been following up for the past three years, having been discharged from every place that he would get and is now on the "L" road.

I have read a letter which he
 received saying that some scab named
 Maxham had a smash up and was
 hurt and his fireman's back broken
 and that inside of three days five of
 the best engines on the road had been
 burned adding "bully for the scabs
 they are doing well. I also spoke of
 a scab named Cole who had opened a
 house of ill-fame and had three women
 and that they were going to get the
 authorities after him and show the
 people what kind of company the "L"
 people kept. Some men who are young
 about collecting money for the Locomotive
 engineers on strike were passengers of
 friends. Some are said that when the
 men go to work, that if they could
 do so, to all keep away from the "L" by
 and none of them go near that road
 for work, and if a letter was sent
 to the Gen. Manager of each R.R. through

and the country asking him to give
"2" men the preference over others that
it would be done. Hogg said that
would not be done and that they
would be obliged to go to the "I.R.R."
as well as others in order to find
work that other rail-roads were not
all in sympathy with the strikers.

A man representing him-
self as being from a paper called
"The Knights of Labor" called to see Hogg
who was then out. He asked Murphy
how they were getting along and was
answered that everything was just
about the same and handed him the
letter Hogg had read about burning of
engines and said that that was the
kind of letters they got and showed how
the Company was getting along. This man
made no comment on the letter but
asked if the "2" was doing much business.
Murphy said they were doing pretty
fair but not near as much as before
the strike. When asked if the Company
had 50 percent of their regular force
at work, Murphy said "yes about that".

This man and the others
had quite a long argument over the
action of the Knights of Labor and the
brotherhood and the feeling that
existed between them. The K of L came
to the idea that if they had not been

quite so undependable and so confident
in their ability to get through without
the aid of the K of L. that they could
have won the strike. One of the men
spoke up and said "it's the strike declared
off," "are we beaten?" Well said the K of L
man "you would have won two months
ago." They tend considerably to say
about the action of the two orders
against each other in the Brooklyn
elevated and Philad Reading strike also
the Knights when came here on this
strike. The K of L man said that there
were nearly three K of L men on the "2"
road, that they all went back after
coming here, that he paid a hundred
for fifty of them at one time to go back
to Phila. One of the men called the
name of a K of L man when they
brought off and sent home and he
paid them \$500.⁰⁰ The K of L man said
he knew the man and that they paid
dear for a small man.

One of the men said
the man said that there were some
petrol engineers out side of the Brother-
hood and that it was not an easy
matter to have to be an engineer and
that he had been for the past few
months running a hand up a rig
that he had never seen before and
that he did not understand it yet.

that he managed to get over the
road with it and cost him \$7.00 a day
and that was all

The Kop Lincum said that
the men on the 2nd saw if such competent
engineers were getting over the road and
at the same time learning what they did
not know just as he was doing.
The engineer said he considered my
man a work when took the place of
another man during a strike. The Kop
Lincum said "yes that is so much he is
a brotherhood man then it was all right."

They all agreed that it was
policy for the two sides to discuss
harmless in order to work with success.

Bartholomew came in about
3 PM and said he had been traveling
around and saw for strike after a protest
campaign against the assessments and
that they would not call for another
as it would result in the breaking up
of the order and that they would
never be able to get in all that had
been called for which they would manage
to get enough to pay their last prop-
erty to the man on the 30th which
would be the last and all they had
agreed to do, which was to postpone
three months and that when that
payment was made it would have
back time one hundred and eighty thousand

and dollars. Bargant asked Hager
if he knew how much the strike was
going to cost them. Hager said that
he had already paid out about sixty
thousand dollars, or one hundred and
eighty thousand if he could not understand
which. Hager said that he had the same
one that the strike had cost the two brother
hoods about \$30,000. He told him this
in case it was carried to the "2" people.

Bargant said he had come
to see where the Inter-State Commission
would meet and said that he was
going away tonight. He considered
that he was a vote in this strike
in one sense, and that was that they
had fought the week and were as
satisfied as the day the strike began, that
a railroad official had told him the
other day, that a railroad would
again attempt to fight the brotherhood
as they have seen enough of which
the "2" has had in this strike, consequently
he said Bargant we are stronger in
the eyes of the R. & C. Companies than we
were before, so I think it is worth
more to us than what money they
cash us. Bargant said that in six
months time after the men go back to
work that of the future hundred men
who would not strike will not be
more than two hundred who will not

he knew on the road a game and that
the "2" are only anxious to get some
of them. He said that the assessments
were pretty hard on some of them who
get no money or their forty dollars a
month to pay and they cannot be blamed
for refusing to pay. He has threatened
to take the charter from two Lodges
that have refused to pay up, in order
to get money from them. The protests
are coming into Cleveland all the time.

Hager said they were in
want of money very much and that
he got \$300⁰⁰ yesterday from some place.
Bargraah said that he saw that Hager
had been getting a new pair of shoes
if they were short of money. Hager said
he had rather to go barefoot or buy a
pair today, they joked him about buying
shoes when they needed the money so bad.

Bargraah said he did not
place much hope in the State Com-
mission that up the old directors of the
"2" were re-elected, since that would
show that they were satisfied with what
had been done and to go on and spend
\$4,000,000⁰⁰ more.

Hager said Bargraah
that he had just received a check for
from some place saying that the crowd
had gone back.

During the evening there

were a couple of men in the room with
Hager and they started very loud. One
heard one of them say that there were too
many. President was a road for that.

A man named Whiting stopped
a night with Hager and about 10 PM
same one brought Hager a message
that his name was either Lancy or
Dr Lancy and he was to leave on the
midnight train for some place. He
left word with Hager for some man
who was to leave gone with him. He
go in the morning as it was fresh
before them with the go to go. Hager
is about 33 years of age, of some stock
build, full round face, florid complexion
dark brown hair and brown mustache
quite heavy, wears a broad brimmed
deer, hat and a dark suit of clothing.

The 1st of Luman told
them that the "D" would pay \$50,000
up the strike on the road off and a
coalition would pay \$100,000 if it was
declared off today.

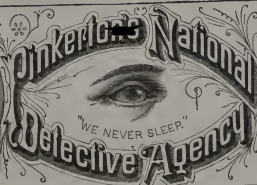
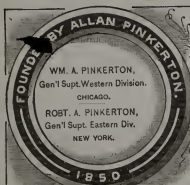
Some of the men com-
menced on the reason the "D" was
underwriting. Hager said he wished they
would leave one hundred cars full of
people and kill every one of them.

Dr Lancy told a black
letter he had received from the State
attorney that the case had been

recalled for 1935. Banzant said he returned
the same time

There are some of a letter
sent by a seal to a friend in which
he praised the S & officials and the
engine in the letter he used the
words "S & b" and the U.S. detectives are
going to a rush him on the charge of
sending obscene literature through the
mails and that the district attorney
says he will prosecute him and send
him up for it

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Chicago May 11th 1887

Mr. B. Glace Esq,
Genl Manager (B) & Co,
Chicago
Dear Sir

Following please find report
of Oph & Co

Wednesday May 9th 1887

This morning Mr. Hoge's visitors commenced

coming a little after 8 O'Clock, the first
one was the man who was to have
with the other man on the midnight
train, he is the man on the day's report
Oph could not learn where it was the
were going to.

Hoge said he had received
a message from Early who stated that he
had received a letter from Dallas and
that he was going to the office and that
there was much much dependence to be
placed upon them, he also said he
would like to get an article in the papers
just a couple of days before the meeting
of the stockholders of the C. & S. R. Co
just to get them excited as he might
have some good effect. Which the article

was Oph could not leave as they spoke
very low when repeating it.

Dance and arrived from
Kansas City and had all parties very
jubilant over the terrible work on the
road. The men he raised their attention to
was on the Kansas City, St. Joe & C. Bluffs
R.R. at some bridge near Alton, this
man had a statement from a passenger
who said the train was running at the
rate of thirty miles an hour and the
engineer represented that he was running
only seven miles an hour. This man
also told of how flat business was
at Kansas City and through South Omaha
an account of the strike. This man
appears to have been traveling over
the system for that purpose and Oph
thinks they called him Laniqua.

All hands except Hays
were very enthusiastic over the paralyzed
condition of the "D" road as this man
expressed it. Dance and said that if they
could that was not one month longer
the company would have to give in to
them. One man more officious than
the rest said that they (the strikers) could
not get and those who said they could
not had better get out. Hays spoke up
and said that if he was referring to
him he was ready to resign at once
and let him run the business if he could.

death with much ceremony. That he (Hager) was tired sitting here in the room having his leg pulled for ceremony all of the time and come to give. The men all said that they were most referring to him (Hager). But to the General Officer. Hager said that he knew he was blamed a great deal and that Colonel & Sargant had done all that could be done and the whole trouble was a work of ceremony and that they were obliged to borrow \$6000⁰⁰ from the insurance fund on the stock, they only having the \$20,000⁰⁰ that was kept for three years over, and the \$4000⁰⁰ had to be returned out of the first assessment, and that they could never win a strike without support, that the brotherhood men were the cause of the failure of the strike through their redundancy a large and weak being more harmonious with the K of L and the order of brethren to support them, and that Sargant told him yesterday that the firm was would receive more money after the 30th inst. and that that order was \$46,000⁰⁰ in debt as Sargant had to borrow that much money to keep up the payments, and that he (Hager) did not care to run in debt, they had no money now, and he did not have means himself to carry them out.

opportunity, and some said it would cause
the people to go that way for
as the RR people heard of it they would
know that they could not stand long, and
that if they do not get out the better
they had just such and strength, the country
they would be all right for a while, but
if they (the RR) get it that they (the strikers)
could as well give up and stop.

Hoge said he had heard
from Andrew and that he will not
come here until the Inter State Commission
meets.

Hoge said that the men
who are now as to how much damage
is being done to the Company through
their non-renew and the demoralized
condition they are in, but he is all around
the case on both sides of it, and that
he (Hoge) sees both sides, and though
the Company was not doing as much
business as before the strike, which they
are doing it is done just as well as ever
it was, he said he knew for the
last year for himself. Continuing Hoge
said that he would not take \$50,000
and go through another three or four
months such as the last time has been, and
that his grant says that the farmers are
giving him hell all the time from all
parts of the country about the assessments
and so he is going to stop it. Hoge also

said that even from Yalebury are writing
to them some days before the next payment
is due telling him to be sure and have
the money ready when due. Hays said
that he did things during the first two
years of the strike that no one knows
anything about that he even he got to
do them, and that he spent about
\$2000's spending even out for the purpose
and that if he had not done it they
would have been running a smooth
inside of three weeks or so. There had
been a strike and that he only
told Arthur about it a short time
ago but he said nothing.

Some of the men spoke
of it as being too far behind the times
and that he made too much fuss
about a man doing a little something
to be angry with a pulling a stop lock's.

Hays being active in the
afternoon all hands gave Arthur a
setting out. Concern was seeing his way
from the work at Hays Park in search
of a better job stopped in for a while
the way one of the men from the
Brooklyn Elevated by at the time of
the strike, he told him, regularly
Arthur was then making the pay then
of 25 cents for three months or
more and was very much that he
did not see how it was that he could

each got money for their own share
in the receipt for same money some-
where belonging to the Brotherhood or
the "Society" that they had was to be
used only for buying off workmen time
at a time. That was the end of it.

F. M. Hays says that one of the Kingshams
had been expelled from No. 111 for
drinking drunk. Some of the men had watched
the passenger train going out and said
that the "Kings" had taken fifteen passengers
going out on Monday and twenty four
on Tuesday.

Hays was told that a large
meeting of the men is to be held in some
hall (Union hall) Thursday night, and
he wanted to know where the money
was to come from to pay for the hall
as he was not going to give them any work
leaving them to go. One of them said that
they had taken up a collection among
the men and raised the necessary
that way. Hays spoke up as he was
angry and declared that the idea of
them holding the meeting

There seems to be complete
demoralized from the actions and several
times expressed himself as feeling that
the men were holding him responsible
for their failure and the loss of funds
Some men in the room
the money used where the Seab

were now boarding and as it was
that they were beginning to scatter all
over the city. Emerson spoke of the
number of policemen at 14th St and how
the South which he struck over the head
equalled when he struck him. C. P. H. is
of the opinion that this man was a
swindler as there were some of them
in the room. Another man said he felt
very sore over the whole affair, that the
council before had as many rage as
the Texas man, and that they were cheated
and he could not see what, or how
the election of the new board of
directors was going to affect them
as it was now too late. One of the
men said that the "Grand Officers" should
be men who were not afraid of a jail
and that some judge in the city told
Anderson to go into the State of Indiana
and issue his orders.

He was quick in the room
after 9th PM

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Sat May 12. 87

Consultation this a.m. bet Hagg & Clark shows -

1. that Judge Cooley called on them yesterday relative to proposed investigation - After same City Sullivan Hagg & Clark had lost somewhat their confidence in the investigation - that the 10th June was proposed date of meeting & that Mr. Foster had been so notified
- 2^d Letter rec'd at Committee rooms from Stone to Hammond of freeman Brotherhood - handed in yesterday He stated his intention of presenting letter to Republican City pref for publication & declared that pub was issued for \$5 & that he would retain it -
- 3^d Hammond has a number of trip papers & Engineer

Hurley of Galesburg is to leave
2 of them + change date
so that he can leave in
24 hours for Galesburg -

Some papers that were issued
to Brookfield dated April 16
are still in hand for
strikers - Few have been
sent to Martin at Gales-
burg -

See letter later -

WY

Saturday May 12-88

Reported at- 8 o'clock=

Went from there to 14th & Jefferson
St- where the Committee from
each road was to meet- to see
what arrangements could be
made in relation to discussing
the scales- I think nearly every
road in Chicago was represented
there by one man at least- only
as a committee however. There was
no one admitted but- members of
the Committee & as I could not
act- as such Oregon Callier
& 2 other fellows (don't know their
names) went- to a Saloon to wait
for information. There we found
about- 15 or 20 more on the same
mission but very little was
said as they did not know
the result & was anxiously waiting
but in a short time some one
came in & said a Committee
had started to wait on Mayor
Roach- to ask him to discuss

2nd
The CR & B - Son of B - let them
Every one went - to dinner after
dinner I went - to Noonan Bros
& stayed there until meeting time,
about - 2 30. Nothing of importance
came up until the Committee (who
had waited on the Mayor some
back & sent in work that - the
Mayor had given orders to Chief
of Police to take all arms from
all CR & B men except - 7
who were sworn in as regular
watchmen & had no business
detaching Core. Then there was
great - day in the Comp., & I think
from the feeling expressed there
that - if this is true & the arms
are really taken from the CR & B
men & then men find out - for
a positive fact - that they have
no sense that some of them
will get roughly handled there
was no interest in the meeting
factor than that the attendance being
rather small - there is to be a
small meeting tomorrow at - 2

3rd

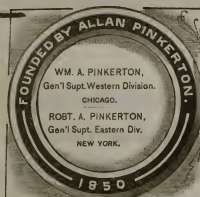
oclock for all railroad
men this will be held at 14th
& Jefferson on account of the
Turner Hall being occupied by
some German Society tomorrow.
After meeting I went to Noonan
know walking from 14th to Jefferson
to 14th & Halsted with Jerry Dwyer
I ask him in to get a drink but
he said no if she were in
there he would not get a
way until midnight & she must
go home to supper as she was
going to take his wife out some
where tonight. I watched him
very close today but did not
see him pay any more attention
to one than another. He seems
very quiet & reserved. In Noonan
Bar I met Jack Kelley & played
Cords with him for a long time
& tried hard to get him to
talking about the Edwards affair
but he would not open his
mouth I think if Kelley had

4th

a hand in the nurse that
Jack Harrison was either with
him or knows all about-it
as when I spoke to him before
about-it- Harrison would not-
let- him talk & today when I
ask if Edwards was dead yet-
Harrison looked right at Kelly
as much as to say "look out-
now you son of a fool"

I will lay for these gentlemen
& if they learn any thing or how
know it- I will get- them
yet- I will attend the meeting
tomorrow

N. J. D.



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Chicago, May 12th. 1888.

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Gen'l. Mngr. C.B. & Q.R.R.

City.

Dear Sir.,

Following you will please find report of operative "E.S.G."

Thursday, May 10th. 1888.

To day in Chicago,

This morning after breakfast the operative returned to his room, and there were several men in Hoge's room before he had gone to breakfast, and remained there while he was eating same. There seems to be nothing new or exciting going on between them they saying "stand firm and solid to a man".

They had a great deal to say about attempts of violence upon the new men, always speaking of the new men as "scabs" or S--of-B----- Hoge was out for some time in the morning and when he returned spoke of having a new scheme on hand, which he had been to see about this morning, and that it was to travel through Colorado and that part of the country, as soon as he was done here, and that he was not going back on an engine again if he could help it.

He also said that he had received a message this morning from Galesburg, saying that they would need twelve hundred dollars more to give the men each \$60 (sixty dollars) for the month on the next payment. Hoge laughed and said, there is not yet money by one half, to give the men \$40 (forty dollars), and did not see how they were going to

to get \$60 (sixty) that he was going to use the money that they had for their own men. He was figuring up and said that they had \$22,500 (twenty two thousand five hundred dollars) and some cents and that he had received a letter from some point saying that they expected to send on as large a chaff as the last one was.

Hoge said that, that was five thousand dollars and some hundreds, and if that came it was with what they now had on hand all they would probably get.

A man who Hoge addressed as brother Samuel came in and said, "I have just got a list of the men at work, from Linden and find upon it, four or five Northwestern men."

He made some inquiries about a Bob Dickson, who at one time fired for him, and who was a watchman somewhere, as he saw a B. H. Dickson on the list, and was afraid that it was he, but some of the men said it was not.

Hoge got another letter from some other point asking for money, which caused him to laugh and say, that those were the kind of letters he was getting every day.

Murphy came in and asked if the meeting was over so soon, and he said that they were sent away until 10:15 a.m. tomorrow. Hoge asked him if there was anything new there, and he said not a thing, but the same old "Chestnut" stand firm. That created a laugh. Hoge then said that there was not he believed to be an investigation by the interstate Commission and that Sullivan had telegraphed to Judge Cooley to set a date for the investigation forthwith.

Some man said that in case the commission set on Monday next, the company could say that they were not ready for it and could have it put off. Another said, no, not since they have been notified of it. Another said, that it was given out along the road that the C. B. & Q. were anxious for the investigation and ready for it.

There has been a circular sent out by the men denying the news paper report that the strike had been declared off. Some one spoke of the letter which has been sent out, and referred to the other day as the one which they hoped the company would not see, and one man said that he thought the men would be very careful about them, and that when he gave one to some man whose name the operative could not hear, that after reading it he tore it up and threw it off the bridge in the water.

During the afternoon a man arrived from Milwaukee and said, "we had a great meeting up there yesterday, there were about five hundred attended, and all inquired as to how the men were getting along up here, and anxious to know all about it, and say for you to fight it out no matter what it cost." Hoge spoke up and said, "I thought so; did you bring any money down from there? The man answered and said, "no, not a d----- cent."

Nothing further was said about Milwaukee, but a great deal was said about the action of the O.R.C. at their meeting the other day in which they denounced the action of the C.B. & Q. strikers and Brotherhood on the roads by the Conductors, and that they either had to ride on the engine or pay for a ticket.

Nothing was going on in the evening at all, and no one was in the room, and Hoge said it was the first day in three months that he had, had nothing to do.

Friday, May 11th. 1888.

This morning it was after 10 o'clock before the regular visitors appeared in Hoge's room, and the first one that came spoke of the earning etc. of the C.B. & Q.R.R. Co. as published in the newspaper also the decline in the stocks of the same. Some one said, that it was now just a game of "freeze out". Another thought that the falling off of the stock was a game of some kind Conductor that had some motive in view.

Hoge recommended the men to buy the "Omaha Bee" which was publishing so much against the C.B. & Q. and said that it contained several letters from traveling men regarding the manner in which business was effected along the line etc.

Some man came in to see Murphy, but he was not there to day, and he also wanted to see Fowler and some one was sent to the hotel for him, returning in a few minutes and said he was there having dinner. The operative thinks that it was the National hotel that they referred to as there are a number of the men who come here, to be seen there. This man asked about the inter state commission, and Hoge said that a newspaper reported told him this morning that Judge Cooley was in town and registered at the Palmer House about 9 a.m. to day, but nothing was known about the meeting. This man also said that unless the investigation took place before the 16th. inst. it would be of no use.

Hoge had a letter which he gave to a man they call "Charley" and who is the man that told about his hitting a "scab" on the head with a fence picket last Sunday night, for to read, and after doing so he said that he knew a Roberts who runs engine No. 6 on the K.C. road and who was at one time on the Phil. & Reading road. The letter referred to a J.G. Roberts, and was from St. Joe. Hoge told Charley to sit down and answer the letter and have a description of that Roberts sent on, so they could see if he was the same man that Charley knew and if it was to have him (the party whom the letter was from) communicate with the Chief himself.

Considerable bad feeling was shown for the Conductors on account of the action taken at their meetings, and one man called Foley said that he would do one up every chance he might get, whether any one else did or not. Some one said that it was hard to get a chance at a freight Conductor, but Foley said it was not, and he would do them, and also watch every every chance to report one for not using his check

book.

A Switchman came in and read off from a paper the action taken at the meeting last night and said that further steps would be taken in the matter at the meeting Saturday morning at nine o'clock, and that it was proposed to form a committee from the men of each road running into Chicago and wait upon the officer of such railroad companies and show to them that every crew coming into the yards are in danger of their lives from the armed "scabs" of the C.B. & Q. road, and have the rail road companies demand that the City protect their men, and also have a committee wait upon the Mayor and other City officials and demand that the three hundred Policemen placed in the yards for the C.B. & Q. Co. be removed and that the fire arms be taken away from the employees of the company, on the grounds that they were liable to shoot innocent persons. This man also thought it would be a good idea to call a Mass meeting to take place about Tuesday night next, and have some good speaker from among the men, also get some prominent Citizen speak on the interest now dying out and it must be kept before the public, now just before the meeting of the Stock holders, and that five thousand people could be got together and twenty thousand dollars raised, and that they go to work again and stop all the roads coming into Chicago.

Foley was the only one who coincided with the Switchman; then left to see Ball about publishing last night's business.

After he had gone Hoge said he had to laugh at the Switchman thinking that twenty thousand dollars could be raised in this City and that he would just as leave keep it up all Summer if they would send in money for it.

This committee who is to wait upon the Mayor and others, is to demand a trial of Sommers who is now out on bail of \$12000. for the shooting of a Wabash Engineer, and went from here afterwards to Ft. Wayne and flourished his revolver in the Round House and said, that he

could now kill any body.

Later on some one came in and said that the investigation would not take place until after the meeting of the Stock holders, so that ~~Sone~~St and Perkins could be reelected, and that the C.B. & Q. people say that they will have nothing to do with the investigation.

Foley said that there is no use of their holding out against the "Q." but to renew the fight and stop the other roads from coming in.

Hoge ~~then~~ said, "All these fellows that are telling us to not declare the strike off, should send us money, and we will then stick, but now we have no money to pay bills or anything else, and Sullivan told me a few days ago that there would be no benefit derived from the investigation for the men, but as the men all seemed to think it would benefit them, let it go on, as they would not otherwise be satisfied as they could not be made believe that it was of no benefit to them, by telling them so.

A committee of Engineers appointed at the Switchmen's meeting this afternoon at the corner of 14th. & Jefferson Sts., waited upon Hoge for him to sanction the proposed Mass meeting for next Tuesday night and have Arthur and Sargeant here to address the meeting. Hoge said he would say nothing about it, if they wanted Arthur and Sargeant let them send word to them and find out whether they would come, or he would ask Arthur himself for them as he was going to Cleveland to morrow (Saturday) night. He also expected that Arthur and Sargant would be here next Tuesday or Wednesday.

Hoge wanted to know what they expected him to do, one of the men said, do it all. Hoge said they would then be d----badly fooled.

The committee men said that the Switchmen were feeling pretty ~~bone~~ on account of no one from either the Engineer's or Firemen's Brotherhood addressed their meetings, and that they struck for the benefit of the Engineers and that now they are being left.

One of the Engineers said that if a man got up to say anything ~~in~~ they put a thousand questions to him and he did not know what to say. Hoge then said that he thought they had better give up that hall and save the expense.

One of the men said that the Switchmen heard that the Brotherhood is without money and that is the reason they are keeping away from them, as they want the money for themselves, and are very much dissatisfied. The Engineers say they are having great times at those meetings and told Hoge if he went there he would have his hair pulled as all the Engineers were catching it from the Switchmen.

One man said he got up to say something about the hall, when he was called to order. Hoge then said if he went up there and said anything he would also be called to order, so was not going.

During the evening the room was vacated, Hoge and all being out.

Yours Respectfully,

Pinkerton's Natl Detective Agency

by *W. C. Pinkerton*

Gen'l. Supt. W. Div.

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Chgo May 13-88

Reported at 10 o'clock

•Went to meeting in the afternoon
Went early so I would get a
seat Sat there in company of
Jack Morrison, Jerry Degan Mike
Shields & Shorty Allen, but as
this meeting was for foreign roads
& the C & O men had nothing to
say & the Hall was too small to
accommodate 1/2 of the attendance
the C men were forced out & I
with the rest I stayed when
the rest of them left but was
told by someone (I don't know)
if I was not at present working
I would be obliged to leave &
make room for men that was
working at the present time
Consequently I went out & then
met the rest of the Gang who
said we had better go to noon
Bros & pass the time in playing
cards until meeting was out
I said no we better stay here until

2nd

meeting adjourned & see what was
going on - then some one
said I will go up stairs &
tell Tom Larkins to come up -
there after meeting & tell us
what was done - I could
no no ~~no~~ less than go with
the rest so we went up
there & played seven up - until
6³⁰ when Larkins came up &
said the meeting was a complete
fizzle worse than the one at
Purmer Hall - & seemed completely
disgusted He said there was
no use trying any longer that
the men would not stick together
said there was another committee
appointed to wait on the mayor
but He knew this would do
no good - Then as Jack me Gernan
was in the party & every one
was disgusted with every thing
concluded to go to me Gernan place
& play Poker - 5 P until 8 & as
Jerry Osagan was in the gang

I thought I would go along
& in consequence I lost \$2.75.
playing cards & did not learn
anything new although I stayed
until 1³⁰ o'clock at 75-50
Halsted St-

To sum the whole affair up-
I think the men that are
out- are split & discouraged
& the men that are working know
that the fight is lost & they do
not feel like taking any share
on losing their jobs- as they
do not talk very much there &
I don't think you need have any
misgivings in regard to the future.
I stayed with Jerry Deagon until
1³⁰ but saw nothing irregular
& then came home-

W. J. S.



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Dear Sir.,

Following you will please find report of operative "E.S.G."

Saturday, May 12th. 1888.

To day in Chicago,

The men commenced to congregate in Hoge's room at 8 a.m. and the conversation was in relation to the Switchmen who were finding so much fault with the Engineers. One Engineer said that the Switchmen would be better off if they had not struck, that they were getting good pay and nothing to find fault about. Another man said that the only way to win now, was to get up a Boycott. Hoge answered, "Yes, and if we had some money we could put some men there and put the company under ground, and that the company would not last a year with that and the loss of business, as a great deal of that business they can never recover. Some one then read an article in one of the morning papers referring to the meeting of Mr. Dexter for the railroad company, Mr. Sullivan for the strikers, and Judge Cooley for the investigation, and Hoge said that they must all tell every one that the delay just suited them, (the Engineers) as it will allow them more time to get testimony together, and not let on at all that they are at all anxious for it.

Hoge also said that the Switchmen will have to let up, and that he will not pay no one hundred dollars for a hall to hold a Mass meeting in, and when the men spoke of going up to the meeting that was held this morning, Hoge told them they had better keep away.

Some one had a list of the new Switchmen which he was reading off the named.

Hoge told Murphy to send a letter to different places saying that they would not pay but \$20. (twenty dollars) to each man, but that on the last of the month when the money comes in, they would pay twenty more, or whatever they could, and also was sending letters to the different divisions of the brother-hood to hurry up with their money.

At 12 o'clock noon the operative reported to Asst. Supt. "J. C. McG." and met operative "T. J. F." and arranged to give him a "spot" on Hoge at the hotel.

The operative heard Hoge say that he had been to the Round House of the Illinois Central R.R.

Hoge was out of the room most of the day, and the operative saw him about 6 p.m. at the Telegraph office in the hotel dictating a message to some other man who was with him.

The room was empty all the evening, no one being there after 7:30 p.m.

Sunday, May 13th, 1888.

To day at 8 a.m. Fowler took possession of Hoge's room, and latter on a number of the Engineers, all of whom were from among the radicals.

There was some Engineer from outside in the room, and he was informed that he should tell the men where he came from, that they were going to stick, and when the strike was called off they would be notified of it, and that the newspaper would not declare the strike off for them. Some one of the men said that he would lay for that man at Burlington

who was a fireman and did belonged to the Brotherhood of Firemen before the strike, but is now running an engine on the Main line to Aurora no one knew his name, but he used to stop at the Prospect House . The man that made the threat said that he would not be satisfied until he "laid that fellow out."

Some one in speaking of Arthur and Sergeant said that Hoge was spoken of well all over, and that he had worked hard. A Fireman in the room said that he had been firin for six years, but he would never fire again if he had to do so for a "scab". He also told about him and another man stoning an Engineer one night near Aurora that they stoned No. 17 and the next train that followed it, and the train stopped and backed up to Aurora and gave the alarm, and he and the other fellow ran and got away, he cutting himself on a barb wire fence at the time, and showed the mark. He also said that he knew where there were six Winchesters laid away, in case they ever wanted them.

Fowler said that in the letter which Hoge got from Arthur, that he said he would not be in Chicago until the investigation or the meeting of the directors, and advised the men to look for work on other roads, and the strike be declared off. The men said that Arthur could not declare the strike off, and they were going to fight it.

Another man told of a conversation which he overheard between two traveling men in the Smoking room of the Rock Island depot, last night, and one of them said he would not ride over the C.B. & Q.R.R. the way it was being run.

Another man said if it had been thought of at the beginning of the strike, to have run a copper wire in each direction for a short distance from each points as Aurora, Burlington and others, they could in that way tapped the wire and it would take them some time to find it out.

It was also said by one man that he saw a man who the C.B. & Q. offered to sell a ticket from Kansas City to Chicago for eight dollars. Fowler said that he heard of a family who were offered tickets from Denver to Chicago for six dollars a piece, and that it was through cutting rates that they were getting any business, and that it would be a good idea to purchase such tickets and report them.

A man named McLean said that Murphy told him that the Brotherhood was bankrupt.

It is said that Hoge received twenty thousand dollars from outside yesterday, towards the coming payment.

About 5 p.m. they all left the room for the night. Some went to the meeting which was to be held at 14th. & Jefferson St.,

Yours respectfully,

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Chicago, May 16th. 1888.

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Dear Sir.,

Following you will please find report of operative "E.S.G."

Monday, May 14th. 1888.

To day in Chicago,

About 8 a.m. Hoge returned to the hotel from his trip to Cleveland, and shortly after a number of the members of the Grievance committee were in the room, some having just arrived in town. Hoge was non communicative, and spoke only when spoken to. Several asked how Arthur was, and he would reply, that he was well. Finally one asked him when Arthur would be here and he said, that he would come after the meeting of the board of directors of the C.B. & Q. probably the last of the week.

Some of the men were anxious to get the members together this forenoon, but Hoge said that it was not necessary, that 2 o'clock this afternoon would do, and they would meet at the National Hotel.

Hoge in speaking of money matters said that there was but \$36000. dollars in the reserve fund of the Brotherhood of Engineers, and it could not be touched without the sanction of the general convention. One man wanted to know why a special convention could not be called for that purpose, and Hoge said it would cost more for that than what is in the fund.

He also said if they had not the Switchmen and Firemen to look after they could get along. A Firemen who was in the room said that they had a membership of eighteen thousand men, and that they were being assessed eleven dollars each, even those who were on a strike, that assessment would bring them 198,000 where they only needed \$132,000 and that according to the constitution they should have had \$40,000 reserved fund for to be used in time of strikes.

Hoge said that Sargent told him that there was but 9000 in the treasury at the time of this strike, and that he had borrowed \$40,000, and which they now owe, and that there were forty lodges under suspension for not paying their assessments.

Some man said that this strike should have been settled by the United State authorities, and Hoge called him a radical, and that Sullivan told him that the United State had no right to interfere.

Another man in speaking of Arthur said, that Arthur's place was here and not in Cleveland until this matter was settled, and that he should have been at the meeting the other night.

Hoge in a rather sarcastic tone, asked what that meeting was the other man said that it was a meeting of the Engineers, Firemen and Switchmen. Hoge wanted to know who authorized that meeting, and did not the men come to him (Hoge) for one hundred dollars to pay for it, and that he refused to give it. The other man said it was Arthur's place and Sargent's also to have been there and here now.

Later on Hoge said that he would like to get in in the papers that a meeting of the Chairmen of the different grievance committees of the different roads running into Chicago was called for the 17th. & 18th. inst. just to create some excitement just before the meeting of the Stock holders. One man said, why not say that they are here now. Hoge said that they knew d---sight better than that.

Hoge also said that Sullivan had advised them to do that, as it might have some effect on the election.

Some of the men in talking about the result of the election that Stone is to be reelected and with the understanding that he is to resign afterwards; others have it that he is to be made Vice President so as to get rid of him.

In the afternoon after the meeting, Hoge said that some settlement must be had about money right away, or else he would walk out of here with the rest of them, that he is not going to sit here any longer to be refusing to give money and that avoids some of the men who want money purposely by staying away from the room of the men can never get back on the C.B. & Q. anyway, but it is better to let a certain class of men go back who could do so.

The man who he was talking to, said something about fighting it longer, and Hoge said to him that if he Hoge had ten thousand dollars that he would be willing to put every dollar of it that the C.B. & Q. would never sign their (the Brotherhood) schedule, that they never would have suffered the loss of money and business that they have unless that they intended to win.

While Hoge was out of the room a report for the Union came in, but no one was inclined to give information, further than to refer him to some article in the "Omaha Bee" and the Sunday World, and also that they still had hopes, and could fight as long as the company could. The Reporter said that the company had money to fight with, The Engineers said that the warm weather is coming and the men could sleep out doors and live on apples and fruit if necessary. The Reporter made the remark, "that while the grass grows, the horses starve" The Engineer said that they would not starve.

Later on while Hoge was in the room alone a City paper Re-

porter came in and inquired about the coming investigation, and Hoge said that the date was first for the 5th. of this month, but that the railroad people were not ready, and that they say they do not want an investigation neither will they have it, so that they can come to no agreement as to the date, and it will probably not be before next week and it made it so much better for the men, as it will give them a chance to gather some more testimony. The reporter asked if the testimony would be about the same as in the last investigation, and Hoge said that it would be similar, but stronger,

Hoge then said that he understood that a meeting of the Chairmen of the Grievance committee from all the other systems was called for in their city on the 17th. inst. The reporter wanted to know what that meant, whether it meant a general strike or a boycott. Hoge said, "You will see later, and no doubt it will make it busy for you fellows."

During the evening a number of the men were in the room, telling about different men, and had a good deal to say about a man named Weston a Brotherhood man, who had been running an engine on the K.C. road, up to Friday last, when he quit and is now supposed to be on his way to the North Western for to get work on that road, he having worked there before the strike, and his father is now on the road. They were going to make an effort to stop him getting work on that road.

They were also referring to an old man who runs out of here, and who pointed his gun at one of the men one day-who was near the engine. One man asked whether he went out from here alone at night time, and the answer was yes. Well he said, "What is the matter with doing him up some night, Harrison St., would be a good spot, by plugging the switch and then kill him."

Hoge warned them about talking so loud about such things and got up and closed the transom.

They all left the room early to be at the meeting tomorrow at 9 a.m.

Yours respectfully,

Pinkerton's Natl Detective Agency.

by. *J. H. Pinkerton*

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Chicago, May 17th. 1898.

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Dear Sir.,

Following you will please find report of Executive "E.S.G."

Tuesday, May 15th. 1898.

To day in Chicago,

Hoge returned to his room at 8 a.m. having been away from it all night. He remained in his room but a short time, and then alone. There were but few in the room at any time during the day. Hoge appeared to keep away most of the time, and while in, had little to say.

A couple of Reporters called in reference to the newspaper article regarding the calling of the general Grievance Committee together, but the men in charge could give no information, and would refer them to Hoge who was then out. Some of the Engineers did not understand it and came to make inquiries about it, but received no information.

The meeting held at the National Hotel this morning at 9 o'clock was for the purpose of determining whether or not the strike should continue, but the men say that a majority of the committee are in favor of keeping it up, while a few are for declaring it off, and the meeting adjourned without coming to any definite understanding, and it is to be settled at the meeting of the Grand Officers in the City on Thursday of this week.

Arthur and Sargent and the Chairman of the Grievance Committee of both orders are to be here Thursday morning for that purpose.

A number of the out of town members of the committee of Engineers left here in the evening, and the room was empty all the latter part of the

afternoon. Hoge was in between 6 and 7 and went away alone at 7:30 p.m. going down the back stairs, carrying a bundle, and up to 11 p.m. he had not returned to his room.

Wednesday, May 16th. 1888.

Hoge returned to his room about 8:30 a.m. having been away all night, and soon after Sargeant of Firemen's Brotherhood came to the room, having arrived in the city this morning. Hoge told him that Arthur would be here tomorrow morning. Sargeant asked how the men felt, and Hoge said that the most of them wanted to keep it up, but there was no money to keep it up on. The men felt as though it was but a matter of time when the company would have to give in, as the road is going down, from the way their stock has run down in the past few days, and that the road would soon be in the hands of a receiver. Hoge said that although they have ^{thirty} three thousand members in their order, and that the assessment has been but five dollars per month a piece they had only received up to last Sunday altogether fifty thousand dollars, when they had figured in the start of receiving fifty thousand per month from that assessment, so that they could not get along without money. Sargeant^a said that they had paid each of their men each month fifty dollars, and would pay again on the 27th. inst. which payment would take fifty two thousand dollars, and that if necessary they would pay twenty dollars each next month to those who were in need of it.

He also said he was in favor of stopping now as they had showed the strength of the two Brotherhoods, and that was worth considerable to them, and that he would at the meeting tomorrow talk pretty plain whether they liked it or. He did not think the men understood the condition of things and he would explain it to them.

Sargeant^a said that they had prepared an article for publication in this

morning's papers saying that the Brotherhood had not been waiting to hear the result of the meeting of the C.B.& Q. directors.

He also said he would telegraph to Arthur to bring with him the letters which he has received from different parts of the country from those who protest against the assessment. Hoge told him the men would not believe him, and if such came from the Grand officers they would believe it.

Hoge got two passes from here to St. Louis for two men who he is sending there to attend the Union meeting which is to be held there either next Saturday night, or Sunday to address them.

Something being said by some of the men in relation to the article published in the paper this morning referring to the meeting yesterday, one of them said that was just for effect and ^{to} agitate, just as the other article was for.

It was reported in the room about 2 p.m. that all of the men on the road were to be taken off inside of the next twenty days, and the strikers restored to their places, and that the old board of directors had been elected, and that Stone had resigned.

One of the men said there was a kick among the "scab" Engineers on account of their having to go on the schedule which the strikers went out on, and that they would all have to go as one year men, and that it was being done for the purpose of getting the men to leave without being discharged.

Murphy thought it best not to say anything about these reports until they found out for a certainty how much truth there was in them, as it may be a scheme to start the stock up again.

One man said that as soon as the "scabs" have to give up their guns he was going to lay for that S--of-A-B-----with the wooden legs. Another said that as soon as they do give them up, that is the time to go for them and do some of them up.

Hoge was away from his room all of the afternoon, and was in Sergeant's room which is No.2 and after 6 p.m. there was no one in the room the rest of the evening.

Yours trespectfully,

Pinkerton's Natl Detective Agency.

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Chicago, May 18th. 1888

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Dear Sir.,

Following you will please find report of operative "E.S.G."

Thursday, May 17th. 1888.

To day Chicago,

Hoge was not in his room last night, but came in at about 9 o'clock this morning in company with Arthur and Sargent. Hoge said he thought that they were some two or three thousand dollars short of enough money to finish paying the men their second payment, so Arthur sent Hoge out to see how much they were in need of and he would loan them that amount from the general fund.

Sargeant and Arthur were then alone in the room, and Sargeant said that he hoped he (Arthur) would explain fully the present situation to the men, as letters had been sent out showing that the firemen were the cause of their defeat. Arthur told him that he considered that he (Sargeant) and the organization of Firemen had done all that could have been expected.

Sargeant then asked Arthur to frankly tell him just what he intended to do, and whether he was going to keep up this fight for an indefinite time. Arthur said, "No, I am not, I shall advise the men to declare the fight off, and go and look for work wherever they can get it, and if they will not do that they will, have to look to the organization for voluntary aid. I am fully satisfied that the C.B. & Q.

will never give in, and to continue the fight is doing the men more harm than good." Sargeant told Arthur that Hoge said the men were very rabid. Arthur told him that, that made no difference that he would talk very plainly to the men and fully explain matters, and he thought the men were greatly influenced by a few hot headed fellows. Sargeant said that they should not levy another assessment upon their members for to do so, would be to drive men from the organization, which had already done, and that he should sustain Arthur in any step which he saw fit to take, and that they should act together as one organization.

Sargeant asked Arthur if the assessment met his expectation, Arthur said, no, nothing near it.

Arthur also spoke of the many protests he had received regarding the assessment, and said that lodge 202 of this City had not as yet paid one dollar, and that he had just received a letter saying that they would send both assessments together.

He also said that a joint circular, should be made up bearing the scale of both orders and explaining the true situation from the beginning of the strike to the present time. Sargeant said that was his idea. Arthur then told him that after the meeting this morning they would talk that over.

Sargeant told Arthur that he must attend the Firemen's convention this year, and that he (Sargeant) should attend the convention of the Engineers as there would be a pretty hot time of it at both.

Arthur said that the strike should not have been kept up as long as it has been, but should have been compromised and then later on, called another strike at a more favorable time, and kept on in that way until they had accomplished their purpose.

Arthur and Sargeant both said that they were very sorry for

the men, that they would do as they agreed to do and stick by the men and appeal to the members of the organization for voluntary aid for those who were in need of it.

Arthur said that he had received a letter from some distant point asking about the Santa Fe R.R. saying that they had heard of men being wanted. Those letters show how much the men care for themselves out of work, and how ready they are to give up present position and come here for another. He said that he sent back work that he thought the thirteen hundred Engineers and the same number of Firemen from the C.B. & Q. R.R. would be sufficient to supply the want of the Santa Fe. He also said that the Lake Shore road refused to give him a pass yesterday for Chicago, and that the C.B. & Q. had called in his annual pass from them.

Arthur asked a man named Hill, how brother Lewis had been acting, and Hill said that he understood that Lewis had been acting very badly, and that he was working for a higher position, that of general foreman. Brother Kelly told Arthur that the meeting of the men yesterday, for the purpose of having the Firemen taken from the C. B. & Q. men, but Arthur said nothing.

Arthur said that he had received a letter from Judge Cooley saying that after he had heard from his Colleagues in Washington, he would notify Mr. Sullivan.

Arthur also told Hoge that as they were the ones who had asked for the investigation it would be well to go on with it when it is called. Hoge informed Arthur that they would have money enough to go around without borrowing from the fund.

Some man coming to the door asked if the meeting was private. Arthur said, no, come in, and that he supposed that, that room would go down in history as the one for the meeting of the Conspirators.

Hoge, Sargeant, and Murphy excused themselves from the room and adjourned to room No. 2. for consultation before the meeting of the committee- which would take place probly at the ational Hotel. Some said that the men wanted it to be at the hall 14th. & Jefferson Sts., but Arthur said not, that they did not want any 4th. of July business. Several reporters called at the room, but were informed that they had not seen Mr. Arthur as yet, and did not know of his being in town, Arthur is not registered, and will leave for home tonight.

Hoge came in the room later and said that there would be a last time of it at the corner of 14th. Jefferson Sts., then the men find that Arthur will not be at the hall, and that no doubt the meeting would break up in a row.

He also said that one man said to him last night that the fight should be kept up and that they would yet win, and that it was not being done right. Hoge asked him how he would do it, and he said he would call out every man on all the roads in the United States and march through every town carrying a red flag. Hoge said he called him a da---foool.

Hoge also said that they would not be able to boycott a road as that had been tried, and in this City was the only place they were able to do it at all. The men were talking about one of the men named McCarthy being one of the C.B. & Q. men arrested for carrying a revolver.

A newspaper reporter made a second call at the room and walked in without knocking, and was informed that he had no business in there, it was a private room and he should first knock. Murphy refused to answer any of his questions and refused to give him any information, so he left.

Hoge came into the room a little before 1 p.m. and wrote a

letter . No one was in but him, and then a man came in and said that the men had engaged a hall for the meeting and expected that Arthur and Sargeant would speak to them. Sargeant and Arthur then came in, and said that they were to meet the committee only, and that, that meeting was to be at the National Hotel at 2 p.m. This man said that the hotel room was not the proper place for such meetings, that newspaper reporters would lay around and overhear some of them fellows who talk loud. Arthur said that they would not allow them to talk loud. The man then told Arthur to call this strike off meant death to the Brotherhood. Arthur told him that his candid opinion was that the C.B. & Q. Co. would never give in to the men, and the assessment would cause many members to go out of the order, and that what advice he would give to the ~~xxxxxx~~ men to day would be what he considered to be to them best interest, and that of the Brotherhood, and said the men would be surprised at the letters he had received from different divisions of the Brotherhood.

The man said that all the men outside whom he had spoken to were in favor of keeping it up. Hoge spoke up and said, those men don't think it best to pay their assessments though.

After having dinner Arthur and Hoge left for the 2 p.m. meeting at the National Hotel.

A number of men on coming to the room were disappointed on learning that none but members of the committee would be allowed to take part in the meeting, and a number of them used very abusive language against Arthur.

At 7 p.m. Arthur, Sargeant, and Hoge returned from the meeting but had not been able to get them to consent to declaring the strike off.

The committee will hold another meeting tomorrow morning at 9 o'clock then a general meeting will be held at the hall in the afternoon, when

the condition of things will be explained to the men and then to be decided by two third vote. Mr. Arthur spoke of some of the men being very insulting especially a man named Deacon. Arthur also told Hoge not to consent to anything that would reflect upon the organization, and if they insisted upon keeping it up, let them go ahead and whatever could be done he would do it. He also said that he would not attend any of these meetings so that there would be no chance for him to say anything that might be misconstrued.

He also instructed Hoge to settle up with Sullivan and discontinue with his services as soon as possible. Hoge told him he could not do that until after the investigation. Arthur told him not to urge the investigation, but if it took place let it go on as it can do them no harm. Arthur left a circular prepared to be copied and sent out after hearing the result of the meeting tomorrow.

Arthur and Sargeant both left at 7:45 p.m. to take the tram for home.

One of the committee from Aurora, told Hoge that when the men found out that they would be thrown upon their own resources, after the end of three months the majority of them would vote for declaring the strike off, but then when it is put to a vote it should be by ballot and not by rising vote, as many would be ashamed to let it be known how they voted.

A newspaper man came in to get the news as to what the meeting was for today, but could learn nothing. Hoge told him that one thing that was done was to pass resolution that the strike would never be declared off. The reporter asked him if they would continue the fight on the same line, the answer was, yes. He then asked if the men all along the line were still confident, and as solid as ever. He was informed that they were and even more so than ever.

After the reporter went out, the man from Aurora said that he should go down and let the men who he represented know just how things stood and that he would not consider a man a "scab" if he at the end of three months went to work for the C.B. & Q.R.R.

Hoge went out a few minutes after 8 o'clock and the room was empty all of the evening although a number of the men called and knocked and went away.

Hoge acted very much disappointed as did both Arthur and Sargeant at the result of the meeting. Sargeant especially, he had nothing whatever, to say.

Yours respectfully,

Pinkerton's Natl Detective Agency.

by *D. A. Pinkerton*

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OFFICE OF SUP'T IOWA LINES.

On line.

Creston, June 24th. 88.

Personal.

H. B. Stone, Esq.

Genl. Manager.

Dear Sir,

I am in receipt of your letter enclosing a special Pinkerton report in regard to Wm. O'Brien.

O'Brien is a man who came from Pottsville with the Reading men, he was personally acquainted with Broderick and also most of our Reading Engineers and I set him to work watching Broderick, not as a Detective but simply to post the new men in regard to the character of Broderick's mission here. I am using him now simply in the capacity of a watchman about our property.

On Thursday night about 11 o'clock I recognized Bowles by the description that Mr. Rhodes had sent me and saw that he was getting ready to leave town. I hurried around as well as I could in the few minutes which intervened between the time of my recognizing the man and leaving time of No. 6 but was unable to find either of the Pinkerton men, and O'Brien being on hand I pointed out Bowles and told him to follow him, which he did. I afterwards learned that one of the Pinkerton men discovered Bowles just as the train was leaving and got on the rear end of the train so that both O'Brien and the

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Pinkerton man left Creston on No. 6 with Bowles, but at Osceola the Pinkerton man lost Bowles while O'Brien held him to Des Moines and until after 5 O'clock Friday afternoon. The Pinkerton man returned to Creston. *from Osceola.*

Yours truly.

H. Brown